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1. EMBASSY' S REFERENCE IN REFTEL B TO PREVIOUS AND SUBSEQUENT STADIS MESSAGES HAS EMBARRASSED DEPARTMENT AND THREATENS APPROVAL OF PL-480 TITLE I PROGRAM FOR SIERRA LEONE.

2. BY REFERRING IN REFTEL B TO REFTEL C, WHICH WAS STADIS, AND TO A SUBSEQUENT MESSAGE, LATER TRANSMITTED STADIS (REFTEL A) EMBASSY HAS ALERTED USDA TO FACT THERE HAS BEEN CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN DEPARTMENT AND EMBASSY ON THIS SUBJECT WHICH USDA HAS NOT SEEN. AS A RESULT, USDA IS REFUSING CONSIDER PROGRAM.

3. TO TRY TO RESOLVE PRESENT IMPASSE, SUGGEST EMBASSY SEND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CABLE WITHOUT STADIS CAPTION, REFERRING ONLY TO REFTEL B,
PRESENTING JUSTIFICATION FOR APPROVAL OF TITLE I PROGRAM.
GIVEN PRESENT COMPETITION FOR TITLE I RESOURCES, STRONG
CASE MUST BE MADE FOR SIERRA LEONE PROGRAM IF IT IS TO HAVE
GOOD CHANCE FOR APPROVAL. TITLE I PROGRAM CURRENTLY IS
ONLY SIGNIFICANT SOURCE OF FRESH FUNDS FOR US IMPUT TO
GOSL DEVELOPMENT, INCLUDING NJALA. ROGERS

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